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Committee Bill No. 5257

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Referred to Committee on HUMAN SERVICES

Introduced by:
(HS)

***AN ACT REQUIRING NOTICE OF NURSING HOME FACILITY OR
RESIDENTIAL CARE HOME RESIDENT ABUSE.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 17b-451 of the general statutes is amended by
2 adding subsection (g) as follows (*Effective October 1, 2015*):

3 (NEW) (g) The Commissioner of Social Services shall require any
4 nursing home facility or residential care home to keep on file contact
5 information for (1) a family member, as designated by a resident, or (2)
6 a legal guardian of such resident, who shall receive information related
7 to investigations of reports concerning such resident made pursuant to
8 subsection (a) of this section. The commissioner shall immediately
9 notify such designated family member or legal guardian whenever the
10 commissioner has reasonable cause to believe that a resident has been
11 the victim of abuse, neglect, exploitation or abandonment, provided
12 such notification shall not be required when the designated family
13 member or legal guardian is suspected of perpetrating the abuse,
14 neglect, exploitation or abandonment.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	October 1, 2015	17b-451
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Statement of Purpose:

To ensure notification of designated family members or legal guardians of nursing home facility and residential care home residents who may have been the victims of abuse, neglect, exploitation or abandonment.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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